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For FORMATION OF WIDE PAINT FILM PARTS

Information Disclosure Statement

Attention: Art Unit 1732

Commissioner for Patents, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450:

Please consider the present information in the examination of this application.

Submitted herewith are a PTO/SB/08A form and copies of the U.S. patents cited thereon, as follows:

- No. 3,961,425 to Swanson et al. This discloses a temperature control system for textile tenter frame apparatus.
- No. 5,067,214 to Hosmer et al. This discloses a tenter frame apparatus and method.
- No. 5,797,172 to Hosmer. This discloses a tenter frame and method.
- No. 5,862,574 to Poterala. This discloses a low profile tenting system and tenter frame.

I certify that this art, which relates to tenter frames, came to the attention of the undersigned only during July of 2004.

New method claims 10-12 distinguish over such art at least by the employment of a paint film stock. New apparatus claims 13-15 distinguish over such art by having the at least three grasping members, at least two of which oppose, etc. The new article of manufacture claims 16-19 distinguish over such art by requiring a stretched or drawn wide paint film stock precursor or formed part.

Please consider this art, and indicate consideration of the same by providing a copy of the form that has the initials of the Examiner assigned to examine this application thereon.

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Respectfully submitted,

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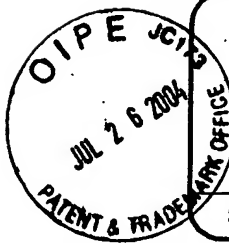
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